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By the QUEEN.

A PROCLAMATION.

VICTORIA, R.

**W**HEREAS a state of war exists between Us and the South African Republic, and also between Us and the Orange Free State:

And whereas it is therefore expedient and necessary to warn all Our subjects of their duties and obligations towards Us, Our Crown, and Government:

Now, therefore, We do hereby warn all Our subjects not to enlist or engage themselves in the military service of the Government of either of the said Republics, or in any way to aid, abet, or assist either of the said Republics in the prosecution of hostilities, and not to carry on any trade with, or supply any goods, wares, or merchandise to either of the said Republics, or to any person resident therein, or to supply any goods, wares, or merchandise to any person for transmission to either of the said Republics, or to any person resident therein, and not to carry any goods, wares, or merchandise destined for either of the said Republics, or for any person resident therein.

And We do hereby further warn all persons that whoever, in contravention of the law, shall commit any of the aforesaid acts, will be liable to such penalty as the law provides.

Given at Our Court at *Windsor*, this twenty-seventh day of *December*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, and in the sixty-third year of Our reign.

GOD save the QUEEN.

**A**T the Court at *Windsor*, the 27th day of *December*, 1899.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

**W**HEREAS the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England have in pursuance of the Act of the eighth and ninth years of Her Majesty, chapter seventy; of the Act of the fourteenth and fifteenth years of Her Majesty, chapter ninety-seven; and of the Act of the nineteenth and twentieth years of Her Majesty, chapter fifty-five; duly prepared and laid before Her Majesty in Council a representation, bearing date the second day of November in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine in the words following; that is to say:—

"We, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England in pursuance of the Act of the eighth and ninth years of Your Majesty chapter seventy of the Act of the fourteenth and fifteenth years of Your Majesty chapter ninety-seven and of the Act of the nineteenth and twentieth years of Your Majesty chapter fifty-five have prepared and now humbly lay before Your Majesty in Council the following representation as to the assignment of a consolidated chapelry to the consecrated church of All Saints South Merstham situate within the parish of Merstham in the county of Surrey and in the diocese of Rochester.

"Whereas at certain extremities of the said parish of Merstham and of the parish of Gatton in the county and diocese aforesaid which said extremities lie contiguous one to another and are described in the Schedule hereunder written there is collected together a population which is situate at a distance from the churches of such two parishes.

"And whereas it appears to us to be expedient that certain contiguous portions (being the portions containing the population aforesaid) of the said parish of Merstham and of the parish of Gatton aforesaid should be formed into a consolidated chapelry for all ecclesiastical purposes and that the same should be assigned to the said church of All Saints South Merstham situate as aforesaid.

"Now therefore, with the consent of the Right Reverend Edward Stuart Bishop of the said diocese of Rochester as such Bishop with the consent of the Right Honourable and Most Reverend Frederick Archbishop of Canterbury as the patron in right of his See of the rectory of the said parish of Merstham and with the consent of Jeremiah Colman of Gatton Hall Reigate in the said county of Surrey Esquire as the patron of the rectory of the said parish of Gatton (in testimony whereof they the said consenting parties have respectively signed and sealed this representation) we the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England humbly represent that it would in our opinion be expedient that all those contiguous portions of the said parish of Merstham and of the parish of Gatton aforesaid which are described in the Schedule hereunder written all which portions together with the boundaries thereof are delineated and set forth on the map or plan hereunto annexed should be united and formed into one consolidated chapelry for the said church of All Saints South Merstham situate as aforesaid and that the same should be named 'The